

Agenda Item Number: 2005-4-2A

BERNALILLO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: April 26, 2005

Department: Commissioner Deanna Archuleta-Loeser Staff Contact: Suzanne Danciger, Commission

Asst., District 3

TITLE: "Cover the Uninsured" Proclamation

ACTION: Presentation of Proclamation declaring May 1-8, 2005 as "Cover the

Uninsured" Week in Bernalillo County.

SUMMARY:

Nearly 44 million Americans, equal to the combined population of 24 states, do not have health care coverage and this has created a health care crisis in our country. There are over 414,000 New Mexicans without health insurance and over 21 percent of our citizens do not have health insurance, ranking New Mexico the second worst state in the nation. The Bernalillo County Commission recognizes the urgency of seeking solutions to one of America's greatest problems.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Proclamation